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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Sir:

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It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our New York office by telephone at (212) 218-2100. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

Respectfully submitted,

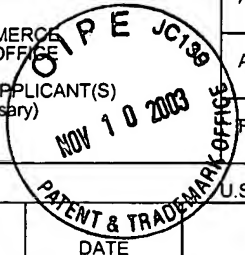


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